

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application:

Listing of the Claims:

Claim 1. (Previously presented) A xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft useful in orthopedic surgery, comprising a first bone block, a second bone block, and a tendon interconnecting said first bone block to said second bone block by a naturally occurring tendon-to-bone attachment, wherein each of said first bone block and said second bone block has a groove along its length sufficient to accommodate a fixation screw.

Claim 2. (Currently amended) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 1, wherein said graft is obtained from porcine, bovine, equine, goat ~~and~~ or other ruminant ~~sources~~ source.

Claim 3. (Canceled).

Claim 4. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 3 1, wherein said first bone block or said second bone block is shaped into a dowel.

Claims 5-7. (Canceled).

Claim 8. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 7 1, wherein said groove is a radius cut extending the length of the bone block.

Claim 9. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 7 1, wherein the groove on said first bone block and on said second bone block has a surface with a thread profile cut therein.

Claims 10-30 (Cancelled).

Claim 31. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 1, wherein said graft is configured such that it may be utilized bi-directionally.

Claim 32. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 1, wherein said graft is processed to minimize the level of antigenic agents or potentially pathogenic agents.

Claim 33. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 1, wherein one or both of said bone blocks further comprises a graft manipulation hole.

Claim 34. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 4, wherein said dowel shaped bone block is a cylindrical dowel.

Claim 35. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 34, wherein the cylindrical dowel has a diameter of 9 mm, 10 mm, 11 mm, or 12 mm.

Claim 36. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 4, wherein said dowel shaped bone block is a tapered dowel.

Claim 37. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 1, wherein said bone block has a plug shape comprising a square cross-section.

Claim 38. (Previously presented) A xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft, comprising a first bone block, a second bone block, and a tendon interconnecting said first bone block to said second bone block by a naturally occurring tendon-to-bone attachment, wherein said first bone block is derived from a patella, said second bone block is derived from a tibia, and said tendon is a patellar tendon.

Claim 39. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 38 being of porcine origin.

Claim 40. (Previously presented) The xenogenic bone-tendon-bone graft of claim 38 being of bovine origin.